

**Board Meeting**  
**January 12, 2023**

**Present:** Bill, N3RY, President; Will, KA3UQQ, Vice President; Phil, NO3N, Secretary; Greg, KC3SEG, Director; Gaylord, KC3SMP, Director; Dave, W3RDE, Director

There was a quorum of officers present.

**The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm.**

**Business**

Ike, W3IKE, introduced a guest, Christine Maceo, from the Naval Academy, which is getting their SSB station reactivated. Ike will be the interface between the club and the Academy.

Christine is trying to bring amateur radio into the satellite program in the Astronautical Engineering discipline. They will need assistance with the licensing program. The timing is tentatively in mid-April. The exams would be at the Academy. AARC will help with the exams.

Dave will be working on the A/V plan upon returning from Georgia and hopefully will be in place by Easter, if not sooner.

Bill reported on the safe mount being built.

Chuck, KC3JQW, reported he had caught several mice in the Clubhouse.

Bill discussed potentially scaling down Field Day. Eric, W3EAB, discussed options to pursue. There was a discussion on Winter Field Day and we have no person to coordinate. We need to find a chair for Field Day. Will suggested we not treat it as a contest but as an informative and demonstration day. Mentioned was digital, POTA and satellite. (Note: the DFRC is not a POTA site)

There was a discussion on presentations. Mentioned was a possibility to have a presentation from CQ Magazine.

Will noted the two road signs identifying the club location.

Will commented on the number of test candidates and VEs for Saturday's session.

Dave noted frustration with the repeaters. This includes conflicts with nearby repeaters and the linking system. Will has discussed this with John Williams, K8JW. We need more communications with John to keep us up to date. Will and Dave are willing to understudy John. There was a suggestion for a separate meeting night for Repeater. The Curtis Bay tower is full

and no room for new antennas. Will wants to install a Yaesu digital repeater there. (Curtis Bay is a county tower)

Bill noted we need a new representative for ARES as John Bowes, WB3YLY, is moving to Ohio.

There was a motion to abate the dues for Jerry Johnson, KC3NRS, as he's not charging for the supplies or labor for constructing the safe mount. Passed unanimously.

**The meeting concluded at 8:14 pm.**